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## NEVADA NOTIONS

During the past year, Nevada was finally unseated as the fastest growing state in the nation. Arizona's population increased by 3.58 percent, while Nevada's increased by 3.45 percent during the twelve months that ended July 1, 2006.

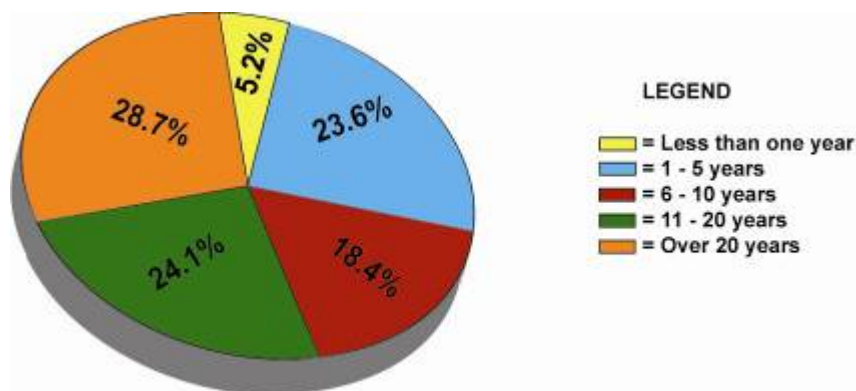
Starting in 1986, Nevada had a lock on the top spot for 19 consecutive years. Despite the drop to number two on the list, the state and its major population centers, Clark County and Las Vegas are still growing. Between 2005 and 2006, Clark County's population increased by 97,000. The city of Las Vegas' population increased by about 16,000 during the same time.

Las Vegas has a reputation for having a high rate of transience. The figure for population growth stated in the previous paragraph shows that during the past year the population in Clark County increased by just over 8,000 residents per month. Experts who track local population estimate that for every three people who move to the area, one leaves. That would mean that about 12,000 people had to move to Clark County every month last year to achieve the net population increase of 97,000.

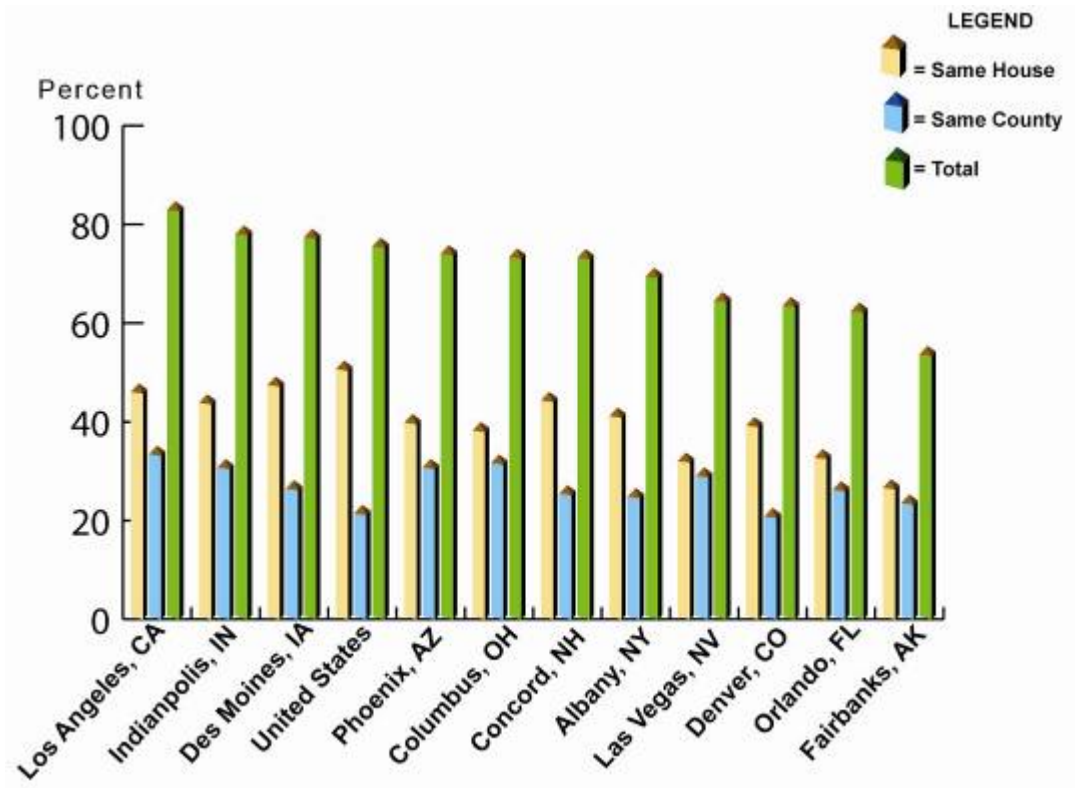
According to U.S. Census data, 54.1 percent of persons over five years of age in the United States have lived in their current residence for five years or more. About 25 percent lived in a different home in the same county five years previously. For Las Vegas those figures are 35.5 percent and 32.5 percent respectively, indicating that Las Vegas appears to have a higher rate of transience. However, when compared to other cities that have been experiencing high growth, Las Vegas' rates are similar.

Las Vegas is a young city, celebrating its centennial in 2005. It is the most populous American city established in the twentieth century.

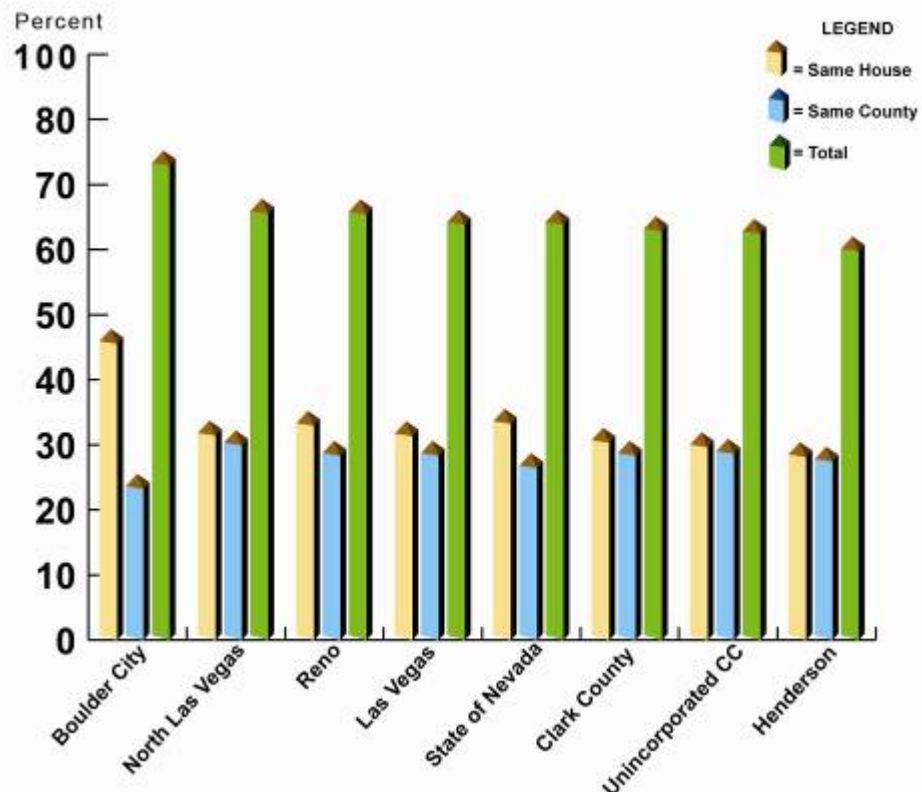
**Length of Residence, Clark County**



## RESIDENCE, 5 YEARS OR MORE – OTHER CITIES & U.S.



## RESIDENCE, 5 YEARS OR MORE – NEVADA CITIES



# TEST YOUR LOCAL KNOWLEDGE

## Pop Quiz

To confirm that you are more than just passing through the state, here's a quiz about things you, as a Nevadan, should know. Circle the correct response. Answers are on page 4. Don't cheat.

1. **What is the Nevada State bird?**
  - a. The Yellow Construction Crane
  - b. The Crested Flying Plastic Shopping Bag
  - c. The Mountain Bluebird
2. **What is the Nevada State Flower?**
  - a. Sagebrush
  - b. The horseshoe shaped funeral bouquet
  - c. The dreaded squirt-gun lapel carnation
3. **Where is Nevada's geographic center?**
  - a. Wherever I am.
  - b. Winnemucca
  - c. Lander, 26 miles southeast of Austin (Oh! That helps!)
4. **What is Nevada's highest point?**
  - a. Mt. Charleston
  - b. The top of the Stratosphere Tower
  - c. Boundary Peak
5. **What is Nevada's lowest point?**
  - a. The Colorado River at the southern tip of the state
  - b. When 2-for-1 buffet coupons expire
  - c. Payday
6. **What's Nevada's State Motto?**
  - a. All the shrimp cocktail you can eat!
  - b. All for our country
  - c. I'm all in!
7. **What is Nevada's nickname?**
  - a. The Lounge Lizard State
  - b. The Silver State
  - c. The Comatose State
8. **Who named Mt. Charleston and why did he give it that name?**
  - a. John C. Fremont after his wife's hometown
  - b. Ray Charles because he was a genius and could do whatever he wanted.
  - c. Charleston Heston. A typo doomed him to remain unrecognized.

## Still Spending Time in Las Vegas?

The following are people who may or may not be spending a great deal of time on the wrong side of the grass here in Las Vegas. So who is here for eternity and who isn't?

1. **Former Heavyweight Champion of the World, Sonny Liston**

Yes	No
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2. **Liberace**

Yes	No
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3. **Albert "The Master of the Stratocaster" Collins**

Yes	No
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4. **Comedian, Redd Foxx**

Yes	No
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5. **Gangster, Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegal**

Yes	No
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6. **The Chairman of the Board, Frank Sinatra**

Yes	No
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7. **Elvis Presley's Manager, Colonel Tom Parker**

Yes	No
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8. **Blues legend, "Bleeding Gums" Murphy**

Yes	No
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9. **Jazz Saxophonist, Eddie "Lockjaw" Davis**

Yes	No
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10. **Billionaire, Howard Hughes**

Yes	No
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11. **Entertainer, Sammy Davis Jr.**

Yes	No
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12. **Big Band Leader, Harry James**

Yes	No
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13. **Movie Star, Carole Lombard**

Yes	No
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### Pop Quiz Answers

**1(c) - The Mountain Bluebird**, *Sialia currucoides*, measures about seven inches in length from nose to tail. Its diet consists of insects and occasionally fruit.

**2 (a) – Sagebrush**, *Artemisia tridentata*, can grow to be more than eight feet tall, but is typically about half that size. Its leaves are grey and crowded. Blossoms are silvery-green and strongly scented. Sagebrush flowers from late summer through early fall.

**3 (c) – Lander**. All we can tell you is that it was named after General Frederick W. Lander, a general for the Union Army, a transcontinental explorer and a prolific poet. Lander is located at Latitude 40.333 North and Longitude 116.705 West. Hope that helps.

**4 (c) – Boundary Peak**, elevation 13,143 feet, is located, as the name would suggest, on the boundary between Nevada and California. It is not highly regarded as it has a prominence of less than 300 feet. More impressive is the tallest peak located entirely in Nevada - Wheeler Peak, elevation 13,065 feet, named for explorer and cartographer George Montague Wheeler. It is far more visually striking due to the fact it is the highest point for over 200 miles in every direction. It also features a prominent headwall and glacial cirque.

**5 (a) – The Colorado River basin in Nevada’s southern tip where it descends to an elevation of 470 feet above sea level**. This is particularly impressive, given that Nevada is the most mountainous state in the U.S.

**6 (b) – All for our country**. Nevada became a state during the Civil War and felt very loyal to the Union and state politicians were willing to do whatever they could to support it. No one knows who, how or why it was arrived at.

**7 (b) – The Silver State**. Nevada is one of the top silver producing regions in the world. At present 18,000 metric tons of silver is mined in Nevada each year. Nevada leads the United States in silver production with 33% of all that is mined in the country.

**8 (a) – John C. Fremont**. He named the peak after his wife’s hometown, Charleston, Mo.

### Answers: Spending Time in Las Vegas

1. **Sonny Liston** - Yes, buried at Paradise Memorial
2. **Liberace** - No, buried at Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills, Calif.
3. **Albert Collins** - Yes, buried at Paradise Memorial
4. **Redd Foxx** - Yes, buried at Palm Valley
5. **Benjamin “Bugsy” Siegel** - No, buried at Forever Memorial Park, Hollywood, Calif.
6. **Frank Sinatra** - No, buried at Desert Memorial Park near Palm Springs, Calif.
7. **Tom Parker** - Yes, buried at Palm Desert Memorial
8. **“Bleeding Gums” Murphy** - No, he’s a cartoon character from “The Simpson’s” interred somewhere in Springfield
9. **Eddie “Lockjaw” Davis** - Yes, buried at Palm Valley
10. **Howard Hughes** - No, buried at Glenwood Cemetery, Houston, Texas
11. **Sammy Davis, Jr.** - No, buried at Forest Lawn, Glendale, Calif.
12. **Harry James** - Yes, buried at Bunker’s Eden Vale
13. **Carole Lombard** - No, she perished in an airplane crash just outside of the Las Vegas Valley and rests in Forest Lawn, Glendale, Calif.